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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

This addresses the Final Office Action of April 20, 2005. Applicant filed a Notice of Appeal on October 20, 2005, which was received by the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office on October 24, 2005. The deadline for filing an Appeal Brief or Request for Continued Examination ("RCE") was December 24, 2005. Applicant herewith files an RCE and requests a five-month extension of time, extending the time for response to May 24, 2006.

Initially, kindly amend the above-captioned application without prejudice as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.